

TRANSCRIPTION OF RECORDED INTERVIEW

OF

JONATHAN VAN DRAGT

ON

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MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA

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1 **Baca:** Why?

2 **Van Dragt:** Are you asking why I believe the motor
3 officer? I believe the motor officer felt I
4 was in -- in danger, and I can completely
5 understand why he took the action he did,
6 based on the fact that the -- from my
7 perspective, where I was at the back of the
8 patrol vehicle, I might have had a clearer
9 line of sight, but anyone else there that
10 didn't have that clear line of sight, this
11 -- this looked like a weapon. This looked
12 like a -- clearly it -- it was in a shooting
13 platform. All -- only the fact that I had --
14 because I was so close at the back of the
15 patrol car that I -- is the fact that I
16 didn't fire because I could see that if he
17 would've had anything else that looked like
18 a firearm in any -- any way, I would've
19 fired my firearm at the back of the patrol
20 vehicle, so. If -- I -- if I was in that
21 motor position -- if it was reversal, I
22 would've fired my firearm.

23 **Baca:** How far was the motor from you?

24 **Van Dragt:** I don't know. I -- I -- he was to my right.
25 Like, the last time I had seen him before

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